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USING THE SAME AND PRODUCTION METHOD THEREOF

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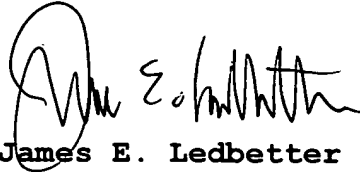
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Pursuant to Rules 56 and 99, Applicants hereby call the attention of the Patent Office to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO 1449. Attached is a Chinese Office Action dated July 28, 2006.

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